

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 2. This sheet replaces the original sheet of Fig. 2. In Fig. 2, shading has been added to indicate elastomeric material.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet
 Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 14, 16 – 21 and 27 are pending in the application.

The Examiner is thanked for the indication that claims 14, 16 – 21 and 27 are allowable. In conformity therewith, the non-elected claims 15 and 22 – 26 have been cancelled, and the reference characters have been deleted from the pending claims.

With regard to the objections to the drawings, a new Fig. 2 is being submitted herewith in which the lining (6) has been shaded to represent elastomeric material. With this change to the drawing, it is believed that the apertures (4, 5) are clearly shown to be filled by the material of the lining (6).

Applicants have attempted to be fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action. However, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call from her in order to be able to expedite placement of the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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Annotated Drawing

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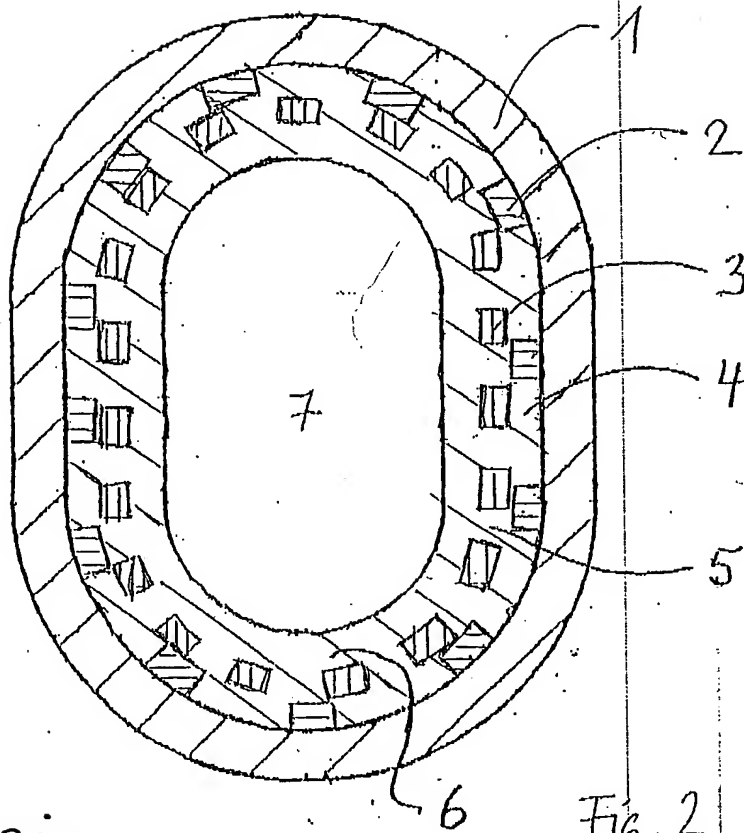


Fig. 2

Elastomeric
material
shading added in lining 6

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